

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: John A. Krueger Examiner: Jonathan M. Foreman
Serial No.: 10/037,795 Group Art Unit: 3736
Filed: January 3, 2002 Docket No.: SPEC - 6137 (C270.112.101)
Due Date: **July 24, 2006 (with extensions)**
Title: BONE MARROW ASPIRATION DEVICE WITH CURVED TIP

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

a. Previously submitted

- i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief previously filed on _____.
_____.
- iii. Other _____.
_____.

b. Enclosed

- i. Response.
- ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS).
- iv. Other: Statement of Michael Steffensmaier regarding Common Ownership of Prior Art Citation and Invention to Disqualify Prior Art under 35 U.S.C. §103(c).

2. Miscellaneous

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(l) required)

b. Other _____.
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3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed).

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 500471.

- i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).
- ii. Three-Month Extension-of-Time fee (37 C.F.R. §1.136 and 1.17).
- iii. Other _____.

b. Check in the amount of \$0.00 is enclosed.

c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2308 enclosed).

4. Future Communication

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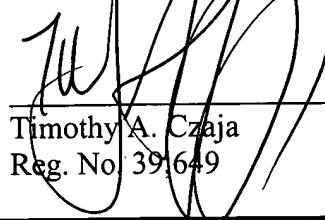
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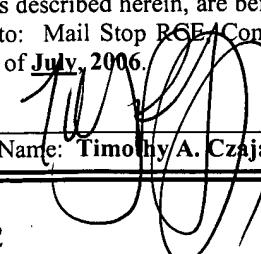
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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8:

The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper or papers, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope address to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this 24th day of July, 2006.

By 

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